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CNO conducts three admiral calls at Great Lakes

Newest generation of Sailors attend, ask questions

By EVA KOWALSKI
Training Support Center

Change was the main topic at a July 7 admiral's call held by Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Mike Mullen at Ross Theater located aboard Naval Station Great Lakes.

Those in attendance included staff and students of Naval Station and Training Support Center, Great Lakes. During the event, some of the Navy's newest Sailors were given a glimpse into the future and an opportunity to ask questions and learn about the Navy's current state of affairs.

"If you have something on your mind, today's the day," said Mullen, who introduced three main topics before accepting

questions, including gratitude toward service, the momentum and nature of change, and the function of leadership.

"There's a lot going on and the focus of that is change. It's not just change, it's the pace of change – new mission, new skills, new requirements," he said to a crowd of more than 1,400 Sailors, 30 Marines and a local Army unit.

"You're joining a Navy that's in great shape," he said, adding, "There are many opportunities today for young people coming in."

The majority of Sailors stationed at TSC are recruit graduates, acquiring rate-specific apprentice skills at one of six Learning Sites located at Great Lakes, prior to reporting to the fleet for the first time. Students from the Learning Sites at TSC Great Lakes comprised the bulk of attendees at the admiral call.

"It was great to get a feel for the direction we're heading in right now," said Seaman Apprentice Dustin Hoftman, 19, of Helena, Mont., who is studying to be a fire



Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Michael G. Mullen congratulates recruits who have completed Battle Stations at Recruit Training Command. Admiral Mullen was among the first to address them as Sailors. Photo by FC2(SW) Jason J. Mosher.

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Mullen gave an overview of ongoing and recent Naval operations in support of the Global War on Terror and humanitarian relief, illustrating the impact the Navy is having around the globe, from the detainee mission in Guantanamo Bay to the relief

effort in Kashmir, Pakistan following the earthquake in October of last year.

With joint operations becoming the way of the future, Mullen explained that Sailors would be expected to expand their skill set.

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Walk the trail to learn Great Lakes history

By JUDY R. LAZARUS
Bulletin Associate Editor

The new Great Lakes History Trail offers a glimpse of Great Lakes history, and at the same time, some healthy exercise.

The two-mile trail from the Great Lakes Museum, Bldg. 158, and back is marked by 16 bronze plaques which chronicle the building of the base through the World War I years.

The project, undertaken by the Naval

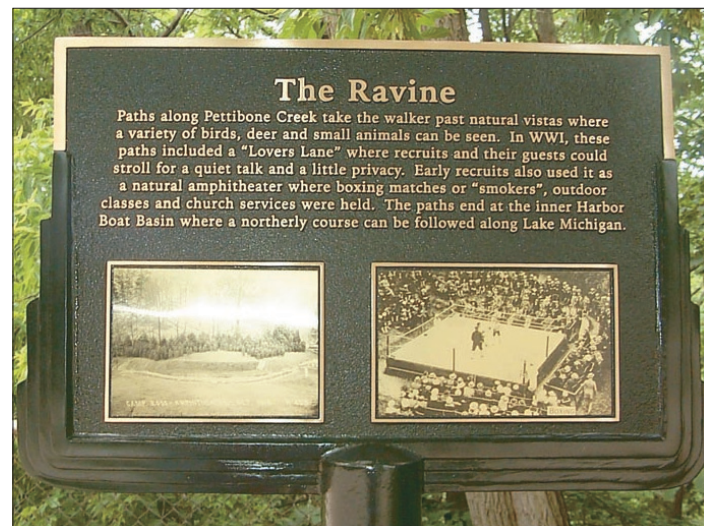
Health Clinic, in conjunction with the museum and Naval Facilities Engineering Command Midwest (NAVFAC), is an example of building something into the immediate environment which encourages people to walk, noted Dave Reid, health promotion director, Naval Health Clinic.

The text for the plaques was created by health promotion personnel and photos were supplied by the museum. The historical events selected were based on the most interesting aspects with good corresponding pictures, Reid said.

"We didn't number the plaques so that we can increase the number in the future or add new routes from different time periods of base history," he noted.

The first of the bronze plaques, installed by NAVFAC on metal poles cemented into the ground, explains how the site for Great Lakes was chosen.

Subsequent plaques along the trail describe the architectural design and construction of base buildings with particular reference to Buildings 1, 3, 4, 5 and the officers' quarters on "brick row"; the Great Lakes football team; early naval aviation; the boat house; the original Navy hospital; the cemetery; the ravine; and the history of



The Ravine plaque, which is located on the bridge leading to the Naval Health Clinic, shows the paths along Pettibone Creek and a natural amphitheater where boxing matches, outdoor classes, and church services were held.

John Philip Sousa's Great Lakes Band.

The project cost Naval Health Clinic \$14,000, and NAVFAC \$2,500 for installation of the plaques.

"The idea of the trail came to me as a 'built environment' initiative," Reid said. "There is growing evidence that the environments we build for ourselves are a key factor in public health. You don't drive to it to receive a dose of exercise. It is part of the fabric of where we work and the reason we are all here, which is to train Sailors."

"We are part of a regal military history here," Reid added. "Sailors of the past decades were walking the ravines of

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Opening celebration

Capt. Michael Anderson (left), commanding officer, Naval Health Clinic, shows Rep. Mark Kirk, center, and Gordon H. Mansfield, deputy secretary of veterans affairs, the new joint Navy/VA Emergency and Surgery departments. A dedication ceremony was held July 10 officially opening the facilities at the North Chicago Veterans Administration Medical Center. This integration completes the second phase of the partnership between the VA and the Naval Health Clinic. Photo by HM1 Dwayne Snader

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Now hear this!

Monday, July 17, Gate 3 (Naval Health Clinic) will close through Aug. 14 for upgrades and "D" St. repaving. Please use NavSta's main gate No. 1.

'USO volunteer honored'

President awards service pin
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Find out what's happening at Great Lakes!

Visit the Great Lakes official websites at www.nsgreatlakes.navy.mil and www.nstc.navy.mil

Great Lakes USO volunteer honored by President

Totaled more than 1,300 volunteer hours and assisted over 4,500 service personnel

By **JIM BOYLAN**
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President George W. Bush presented the President’s Volunteer Service Award to David Kruger, a volunteer at the USO office located aboard Naval Station Great Lakes. The presentation was made July 6 at a special ceremony at the O’Hare International Center during the President’s visit to Chicago last week.

Kruger, a USO volunteer for the past two-and-one-half years, amassed more than 1,300 volunteer hours and assisted over 4,500 service personnel while serving at the Home Away From Home Centers at O’Hare International Airport and Naval Station.

The award was created at the President’s direction by the President’s Council on Service and Civic Participation and awarded to those volunteers for making a difference in the lives of others.

Kruger, who lives in Lindenhurst, is a senior scheduler at Pack Ve Industries in Wheeling, Ill., which produces disposable hefty bags. He started volunteering for the USO O’Hare one Sunday a month providing information, assistance and resources to troops visiting the USO facilities.

“I wanted to be able to give something back and by volunteering I am able to get that connection with the service members. When they arrive here at O’Hare they need someone to talk to and someone who will listen and assistance in how to get around,” said Kruger.

He first became aware of the USO in 1966. Serving as an Army Chaplain’s Assistant, in Tay Ninh, Vietnam, Kruger was present at Bob Hope’s USO Show. This show was to have a profound effect on him and what the USO means to the morale of those in the military.

In April of 2005, wishing to do more, he contacted Beth Piccolo, Manager, USO Great Lakes to see if she needed help.

“Great Lakes USO is unique because it is on a base and full of students and kids who need a home away from home and that is where the volunteers come in,” noted Piccolo.

“This is the kind of place where they can unwind, relax and bring their friends,” added Kruger.

All those who volunteer at the Great Lakes USO are special and bring something unique of themselves to the table. In David’s case he gives his heart and soul to the job and those who visit the USO. “Dave puts 120 percent into volunteering. He orders supplies and makes sure those needs are met,” said Piccolo.

Kruger volunteers 27 hours a week, Friday through Sunday at Great Lakes and O’Hare. While at USO Great Lakes some of his duties might include delivering food from the grocery, doing odd jobs around the office or serving food when recruits come in.

Piccolo considers Kruger an extension of herself. She notes that he takes the initiative and has gone far and beyond the outlined volunteer duties. “I consider David to be my ‘right arm.’ We do not compete but are an extension of the services that are offered at Great Lakes. He frees me up to concentrate on our centers in Illinois and those units in Wisconsin (Fort McCoy),” said Piccolo.

The USO Great Lakes/O’Hare will have David’s presence for years to come. He will be there to lend them an ear, a helping hand and assist them with any of their needs and will always make them feel welcome for they are considered as being part of his extended family.

“I cherish being part of the lives of the servicemen and women I meet through the

USO O’Hare/Great Lakes,” said Kruger.

The USO, serves 1.4 million active duty men and women and an additional 1.3 million in the National Guard and Reserves. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life of the men and women of

the Armed Forces and their families and to create a cooperative relationship between U.S. military communities and civilian communities through social, recreational, entertainment, educational programs and support services.



David Kruger has totaled more than 1,300 volunteer hours and assisted over 4,500 service personnel while serving at the Home Away From Home Centers at O’Hare International Airport and the Naval Station. *Photo courtesy of USO*

CNO praises those who volunteer to serve

By **JUDY R. LAZARUS**
Bulletin Associate Editor

“I am confident, particularly after being here, that these young men and women will meet the standard and execute the mission of the U.S. Navy at the highest possible level,” said Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Mike Mullen, speaking during an interview at Great Lakes.

The Navy has been engaged around the world, as it always has been, Mullen noted. “And this is the cradle of our Navy in terms of our foundation. This is where we start.

“It was important for me to come back here to see these young men and women who volunteer to serve their Navy and their nation at this really critical time, and to let them know what I expect,” said the admiral, who visited Great Lakes two years ago.

“The execution of this mission here is vital to our future,” he noted. “I come away incredibly pleased and impressed to see what we’re doing to get our young people off to such a great start.

“I have had a terrific time with them and have seen what they go through. I appreciate their service, and I want to thank their families for their support.”

When asked what advice he would give Sailors at the start of their careers, Mullen said he wants them to understand that they are entering the Navy at a great time, a time of change in the globalized world, and that

their participation in it is going to be critical.

“They need to understand that we’ve got new missions and are in new places,” he said. “They live in a time of change and I want to make sure they know that will continue.”

Mullen spoke of leadership, of the importance of listening, learning, and leading. “And that’s really critical, whether you are junior or senior,” he emphasized. “Everybody can be a leader. I expect Sailors to lead in every possible way when they are in the Navy.

“It’s a dangerous world and the Navy plays a big part because we’re forward deployed, persistent and flexible.”

The CNO was impressed with Recruit Training Command’s Battle Stations [the capstone event in recruit training]. “They performed magnificently,” he said. “I also want to give credit to the entire staff and Captain Andrews [Capt. Annie Andrews, commanding officer, Recruit Training Command] who transformed those young people who eight or nine weeks ago were civilians and now are ready to serve.”

Discussing diversity in the Navy, Mullen said that the issue is a priority for him.

“We must have leaders from and for every part of our nation and every part of our Navy,” he said. “And our Navy must represent the ethnic and gender diversity that this country represents. In future years that representation will be critical.”

EER Workshop slated for July 18

The Navy College Office will conduct an Enlisted Education Requirement (EER) Workshop on Tuesday, July 18 at 11 a.m. in Bldg. 617, Room 220.

The workshop will cover all requirements for a Sailor to make E-8 and the necessary steps to be eligible under the new EER Initiative. If you are an E-7 and will be eligible for E-8 during the 2009 advancement cycle plan on attending this most valuable workshop.

Note that if a Sailor wishes to pursue a degree program one must choose an accredited school recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and must be enrolled in that school before October 1, 2006. After the October 1 date one will be locked in Rate Element to degree program and it has to be approved rate-relevant to qualify.

The Navy College Office staff will facilitate the workshop and be there to answer any and all questions. For additional information about the workshop, call (847) 688-4681, ext. 216/219.



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Price takes command of Eastern Sector MEPCOM

By MEPCOM PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Col. Barrye L. Price, USA, assumed command of the Eastern Sector, United States Military Entrance Processing Command. He relieved Col. J. Mark Atkins, USA, in a change of command ceremony July 7 on the grounds surrounding Bldg. 3400.

Atkins, who was the Eastern Sector commander since Aug. 12, 2003, moves to his new job as J-1, for the Joint Operations Command, Norfolk, Va.

Price is a 1985 Distinguished Military Graduate of the University of Houston's College of Business Administration. He earned a master of arts degree in history in 1994 from Texas A&M University and in 1997 he became the first African-American to obtain a doctorate from the department of history in the 130-year history of Texas A&M University. He also earned a Master's in national security strategy from the National Defense University in 2004. He entered the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant in May 1985.

Price's previous assignments include: regimental adjutant for the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment I in both Doha, Kuwait,

and Fulda, Germany; assistant professor of military history at the United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.; White House Fellow and special assistant to the director, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Washington, D.C.; and deputy assistance chief of staff, personnel for the Army Materiel Command, Fort Belvoir, Va.

The colonel served on the President and First Lady's Task Force on "Raising Responsible and Resourceful Teenagers" in 2000; served on President Clinton's "Mississippi Delta Task Force" which sought to revitalize the 207-county, seven-state region that comprises the Mississippi River flood plain from 1999 through 2000. He served as the battalion commander, 4th Personnel Services Battalion, Fort Carson, Colo.; executive officer and military assistant to the deputy assistant secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs (Human Resources) at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, five Meritorious Service Medals, two Army Commendation Medals, and two Army Achievement Medals.



Col. Barrye L. Price, U.S. Army, accepted command of Eastern Sector, USMEPCOM, from Col. Lon M. Yeary, U.S. Marine Corps, USMEPCOM commander, July 11. Col. J. Mark Atkins, U.S. Army, (far right) relinquished command of Eastern Sector after a three-year tour. Atkins now becomes the J-1, Joint Operations Command, Norfolk, VA. Eastern Sector is responsible for operating the 34 Military Entrance Processing Stations (MEPS) located in the Eastern half of the United States. USMEPCOM operates at total of 65 MEPS. *Photo by Art Heintz, USMEPCOM.*

NIDBR tour

Bob Brandjord, president of the American Dental Association (ADA), second from right, toured Recruit Training Command's Branch Clinic 1017 (USS Osbourne) with, from left, Cmdr. John D. Bloom, Cmdr. Scott Jensen, and Capt. Michael Anderson, commanding officer, Naval Health Clinic. The ADA official was keynote speaker at the Naval Institute for Dental and Biomedical Research three-day workshop which focused on seeking uniformity in dental classification systems in the United States and other countries and on dental emergencies in the field. *Photo by Judy R. Lazarus*



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"Having multiple skills for every Sailor is going to be critical," he said, particularly with a goal to reduce the number of personnel in accordance with the Sea Power 21 vision.

The Sea Power 21 vision sets the stage for innovative capabilities in an era of joint operational effectiveness. With changes such as the new hybrid Littoral Combat Ship, which only requires a crew of approximately 75 Sailors, marking its entry into the fleet, the Navy's requirements will call for fewer, but multi-skilled, Sailors to handle the mission of smaller ships.

Mullen said the number of Sailors anticipated by the end of 2007 is 340,000 down from a present force of more than 350,000.

Mullen also spoke about "creating a base at sea" through which all services can move. Sea Basing is one of the key components of the Sea Power 21 vision, which aims to expand joint mission capability by creating a base at sea comprising carriers, destroyers, submarines and maritime pre-positioned ships.

The importance of diversity and leadership was also stressed by the CNO.

"I expect everybody to be a leader," he said, acknowledging that "leading change is tough," yet essential. He also commented that diversity in the Navy is important and that the service composition should reflect the country that it is representing and leading into the 21st century.

During the admiral's call, Sailors inquired about overseas missions, changes to technology, ratings, and the promotion system.

At present 4,000 Sailors are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan as part of the joint service Individual Augmentee (IA) mission.

IAs help support ground operations after receiving training, often from the Army. Mullen reminded that the war on terror is a "national fight," and that Sailors provide unique skills to a joint effort to fight the war.

In response to a question about the Navy's missile defense capabilities, Mullen talked about the most recent missile defense test conducted from the Aegis cruiser USS Shiloh June 22 off the island Kauai, Hawaii.

The Standard Missile 3 that was launched via a new configuration successfully hit the separating target, becoming the seventh successful intercept test out of eight conducted. The technology is designed to intercept short to medium-range ballistic missile threats in the midcourse phase of flight.

"We can't do this without you," he commented, underlining that the Navy's high-tech equipment does not operate itself, and without a committed task force dedicated to the mission, the Navy would not operate effectively.

"There are a lot of opportunities for competitive people in the United States Navy," he said, adding that changes to the promotion system are in the works with items such as performance-based pay under consideration.

"We're working our way through a series of issues tied to future advancement. We want to reward our best performers," he said.

Seaman Tim Clancy, 20, from Bronx, N.Y., who attended the admiral's call said, "The CNO gave us a very down-to-earth perspective on today's issues. I felt like I was a real part of the Navy today."

Recruit quality remains high, defense personnel official says

By JIM GARAMONE
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The military has been able to fill its ranks without sacrificing quality, DoD's top personnel official told reporters yesterday.

David S. C. Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, said all active-duty components met their recruiting goals in June for the 13th month in a row. He said the reserve components also did well, with all but the Navy Reserve making their recruiting goals.

All told, DoD recruits about 300,000 servicemembers in all components each year. Chu called the fact that the department can fill the ranks of the volunteer force a testament to young peoples' desire to serve.

More than 60 percent of the recruits came from the top half of mental aptitude categories. More than 90 percent have a high school diploma, which is the best indi-

cator that recruits will stay through their first enlistment, officials said.

Chu said he is not disturbed by the increase in the number of "category 4" personnel joining the Army. These recruits score in the lowest category of the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery of tests.

The Army recruits no more than 4 percent of its force from this category, meeting the DoD benchmark, explained Doug Smith, public affairs officer for U.S. Army Recruiting Command. For many years, the Army had a self-imposed 2-percent limit, he said, but raised it to 4 percent in 2005.

This stands in sharp contrast to the late 1970s, when as many as 45 percent of Army recruits could be drawn from category 4. Congress imposed a cap of 25 percent of new recruits in that category in fiscal 1981, then lowered the ceiling to 20 percent in fiscal 1983, according to Bob Clark, DoD's assistant director for accessions policy.

CIVRA has Six Flag tickets on sale

The Great Lakes Civilian Recreation Association's (CIVRA) next outing is July 21 through 23 at Six Flags Great America, Gurnee, Ill. Gates open at 10 a.m. close at 10 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 each day. Quantities are limited. Transportation is not provided.

Contact your CIVRA representative to

purchase tickets: Jackie Westover, PSD, ext. 5550, x730; Michelle Evans, MEPCOM, ext. 3680, x7320; Carol Pias, NAVSTA, ext. 2600, x125; Debbie Herr, TSC, ext. 4709; Chris Jaklin, MWR, ext. 2110, x118; Ann Bessette, Naval Clinic, ext. 5322; Mary Neely, SSS RHQ, ext. 7995; and Judy Totin, Bldg. 1 comptroller, ext. 3371, x187.

MCPON Campa takes helm of enlisted force

By MC1(SCW) L.A. SHIVELY
MCPON Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) (SW/FMF) Joe R. Campa Jr. took the helm of the enlisted force as the Navy's eleventh MCPON, receiving the ceremonial cutlass from MCPON (SS/AW) Terry D. Scott, in a change of office ceremony at the Washington Navy Yard, July 10.

The ceremony marked the conclusion of a 29-year Navy career for Scott, who held the office of MCPON the past four years.

"He led," said Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Adm. Mike Mullen. He elaborated, explaining how Scott's leadership engaged Sailors to "bring all manner of people together to solve problems."

Mullen stressed that many of the new programs for today's Sailors were a result of Scott's efforts, such as greater educational benefits, redesigned uniforms that are more attractive and durable, plus incorporating a "culture of fitness" aimed at improving both physical and mental health.

The CNO also recognized that Scott continued to work until his very last day in office, giving a recent interview to a major news station about the problem of predatory lenders, businesses targeting Sailors for payday or title loans with enormous interest rates.

Mullen then congratulated the newest MCPON.

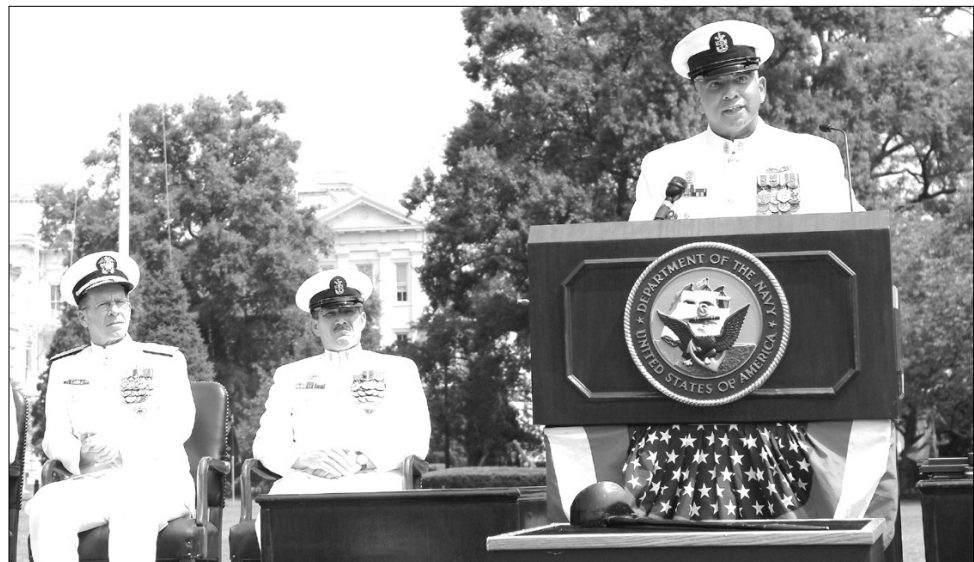
"Master Chief Campa is not just an exceptional corpsman, he's a terrific leader - a command master chief with an enormous wealth of experience in the fleet that makes him the right Sailor at the right time to follow MCPON Scott," Mullen said. "Master Chief Campa, you must know how big the shoes you must fill are, and I have every confidence in you. I appreciate your service and your willingness to step up to this enormous responsibility," Campa thanked Scott and his wife in a speech after he accepted the office, offering his deep appreciation for their hard work improving the lives of Sailors and Navy families.

"Together you have made the Navy a better place," he said.

Campa then acknowledged his predecessors and set the direction for his term in office.

"I want every Sailor to achieve the full measure of their potential because it not only makes them better Sailors - it makes them better citizens," said Campa. "And like my predecessors, this is where my commitment lies and this is where my energy will be focused."

Campa most recently served as Command Master Chief, Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay after graduating from the Naval War College in Newport, R.I.



Washington, D.C. - Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Joe R. Campa Jr. offers his first remarks as MCPON after receiving the ceremonial cutlass from MCPON Terry D. Scott during a ceremony at the Washington Navy Yard. Scott became the tenth MCPON April 22, 2002, and will retire with 29 years of service. Campa was selected to become the Navy's eleventh MCPON while serving as Command Master Chief Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay. *U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Brandon W. Schulze*

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Pettibone Creek, doing drills in the sand dune formations of Nunn Beach, rowing boats and launching aircraft in Lake Michigan, and hitching up their hammocks in the USO building. The history trail will make the place alive for many people. It will encourage them to walk the base and peer down the corridors of time."

"It's good that people can learn while getting exercise," said Museum Curator Therese Gonzalez. "This has been a train-

ing base for almost 100 years and Sailors are a part of the Great Lakes legacy. The historic trail gives them a sense of their place in the base's history."

"This is another step in the regeneration of the historic district which includes a memorial kiosk where buildings 25 and 28 once were," said Lt. Jared Jasinski, activity public works officer for Naval Station.

Informational pamphlets, which include maps of the trail, are available at the Wellness Center, Bldg. 2A and the Great Lakes Museum which is open on Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.



SA Yun Jung, left, and SR Derek Diamond examine one of the 16 bronze plaques that mark the new Great Lakes History Trail. *Photos by Judy R. Lazarus*

From the Goat Locker

SEA STORIES



This week:

HMC (SW/AW/FMF) Patricia Schram

In September of 1990, I was like any other reservist, going to school and enjoying the life of a civilian. That all changed with the Gulf War when I was activated and sent to Pensacola, Fla. as an undesignated Seaman.

For the next year and a half, I worked in a technical library and provided support to the cryptological schools. Although I enjoyed the camaraderie that active duty provided, I did not plan to make the Navy a career. Approximately six months before my tour was up, I talked to my career counselor about making the transition back to civilian life. She happened to be a chief hospital corpsman and spent numerous hours convincing me that I could continue to contribute to the Navy and obtain my goal of getting my degree in the medical field by becoming a hospital corpsman.

I made the decision to give the

Navy four more years and I applied and was accepted to HM "A" school.

While in "A" school, I was assigned as the class leader, also known as the adjutant. As the adjutant, I wore a blue and white rope and was responsible for marching the class to chow and leading them in physical training. I find it ironic that I have returned to Great Lakes where I now wear a red rope to work and train recruits.

When my shipmates ask me when I joined the Navy, I always say September 1992 because that is when I made the decision to stay on active duty and retire as a Sailor. Throughout my career, I have had great mentors and continue to choose jobs that not only challenge me but allow me to mentor junior personnel. I believe in the mission of the Navy and the importance of every Sailor, whether they are in boot camp being trained or retiring from the Navy.

If you are a chief petty officer — active duty, reservist or retired — and would like to contribute to "Sea Stories," call the Bulletin staff at (847) 688-4800 and we'll be happy to talk with you. - Ed.

Chicago cop, Navy reservist mobilized in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom

By MC1 DOUG MAPPIN
Navy Public Affairs

More than 5,000 Navy Reservists are currently deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom including Chicago's own MA2 Shelly Williams, a reservist attached to Navy Operational Support Center Chicago at Great Lakes, Ill.

Williams, a master-at-arms, is a part of Navy Customs Battalion QUEBEC, which consists of more than 400 Sailors deployed to Kuwait and Iraq as a customs inspector. Williams' job is to ensure equipment and servicemembers' personal gear leaving Southwest Asia and returning to the U.S. is free of dangerous or illegal items and complies with U.S. Customs regulations.

Customs is an essential part of logistics operations occurring in Southwest Asia—a joint mission performed by Sailors, Soldiers, Airmen, Marines and Coastguardsmen.

Williams reported for duty July 2005 to Norfolk, Va., for predeployment training with follow-on customs and agricultural inspection training at Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group (NAVELSG) headquarters in Williamsburg, Va., before deploying to Kuwait for her tour of duty.

"I feel good about serving in the Navy and for my country," Williams said. "I like the camaraderie of working with our Sailors."

During her deployment in Kuwait, Williams advanced to petty officer second class and has put her expertise of customs and weapons training to good use. Williams is one of the few members of Navy Customs QUEBEC that has served at all of the camps under the battalion's jurisdiction.

"One aspect of our jobs that I enjoy is enforcing military regulations," Williams said. "It is gratifying to provide a secure work environment for my fellow Sailors. I want to be the best I can be for our battalion."

In her personal life, Williams serves as a police officer for the Chicago Metropolitan Police Department where she is a member



MA2 Shelly Williams conducts customs inspections in Kuwait for outgoing troops returning to the United States and other military bases around the world in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Williams is a member of Navy Customs Battalion QUEBEC, and was trained for mobilization by Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group. *(U.S. Navy photo)*

of the Tactical Unit 5th District. She is the mother of two sons, James, 20, and Anthony, 22. She has enjoyed serving here in Kuwait and in Iraq, but looks forward to returning home to her family and fellow police officers. Upon her return to Reservist status, Williams hopes to submit a package to become a commissioned officer. Williams is

NAVELSG consists of more than 3,600 active and Reserve Sailors nationwide who stand ready to mobilize quickly and provide logistics support to forward-deployed troops anywhere in the world.



Viewpoint



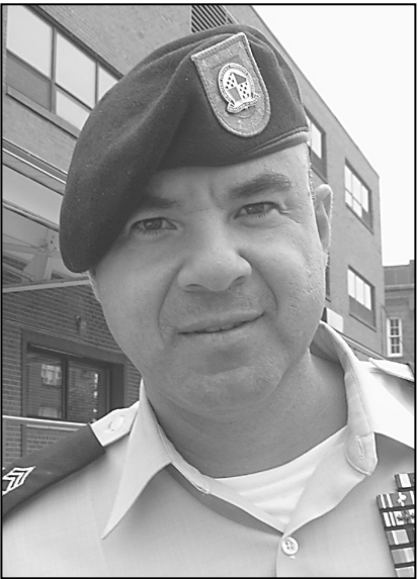
Readers Speak Out

This week the *Bulletin* asks its readers, “If you could open your own retail store, what type of merchandise would you sell and why?”



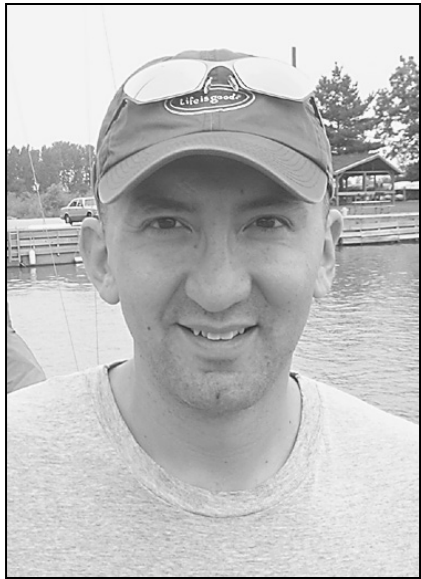
“A business that sells high fashion shoes, boots, and sneakers. My store would always have the latest trends!”

YNSA Matthew White



“A sporting goods store specializing in soccer equipment. Soccer is a growing sport in this country and I would be able to sell the best and most updated gear, especially for kids!”

Sgt. 1st Class Tomas Sanchez, USA



“Sporting goods store that sells merchandise for all types of water sports!”

Jaime Lozano



“Beer distributor and supplier. While I was at Navy Pier for a festival, I was able to meet with company reps and feel that this could be a good business venture in the future!”

Lt. David Ehredt



“Book store & coffee house, because I love books and for my customers the finest in gourmet coffee!”

FC2 Josh Stoddard



“Store that exclusively sells snowboards. It is something that I love to do (snowboarding) and my son loves the sport also!”

ET2 Joseph Sorensen



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WHAT happened WHEN

A look back at historic Great Lakes

40 years ago

Information about GI Bill

Frank L. Brown, BMC, of the RTC Career Information Team, will appear on the WKRS radio program “Viewpoint” today to discuss the educational benefit available to servicemen under the new GI Bill. The hour-long program, which begins at 3:45 p.m., has an audience participation format. Listeners may telephone during the show for answers to questions.

20 years ago

SSC graduates praised

Last Friday, a small but special group of Service School Command students graduated from a newly instituted Gas Turbine Electrical/Mechanical course. According to Rear Adm. Thomas W. Evans, assistant deputy commander for Anti-Submarine Warfare and Undersea Warfare Systems, Naval Sea Systems Command, the event was not only important to Great Lakes but to the Navy as well.

30 years ago

Preventive dentistry program

The Naval Regional Dental Center is now offering, by appointment only, a preventive dentistry program for children 5 to 15 years old. The program consists of an oral hygiene lecture and a movie, a stannous fluoride treatment and an examination by a dental officer. The program is conducted one Saturday a month and is held in Bldg. 237.

10 years ago

New ASVAB system

Great Lakes Naval Training Center (NTC) along with Air Force and Army sites, are to be a part of an Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) comparability study. According to Assistant Chief of Staff for Training Dale Kirkman, the study will be used to judge a new system of taking the ASVAB by computer, instead of the traditional “bubble forms” marked with pencil.

Great Lakes Snapshot

Name: Anthony F. Tomei

Hometown: Davenport, Iowa

Job title: Director, Navy College Office

Time in position: 16 years

What do you enjoy most working at Great Lakes? The people and the geographic location.

Childhood ambition: Baseball player, good glove, no bat.

First job: Shagging balls for Class A baseball team in Davenport.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time? Reading and woodworking

Dream car: '63 Lincoln

Favorite music artist: Johnny Cash

Favorite book: Bible

If you could meet any person-alive or dead-who would it be? Edgar Cayce

Your perfect day: Workout, breakfast, read, TCOB, lunch, projects, dinner and family time.

Your hero: Teddy Roosevelt: As president he brought balance to our country.



Anthony F. Tomei

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Apple Vacations early booking sale

The MWR-ITT Travel Desk is holding an Apple Vacations Early Booking Sale through today. Save up to \$200 per couple on select air/hotel/transfer bookings from Chicago to some of the finest resorts in Mexico and the Caribbean. Looking for a quick getaway this summer? How about three nights in Cancun staying at the NH Krystal Cancun from only \$399.99 per person. Call Fox World Travel at the MWR-ITT Travel Desk at 877-805-9157 for more information, or stop by the ITT office, Bldg 400 (NEX Student Store) on Mondays or Wednesdays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. An experienced travel specialist will be on hand to handle all your personal, leave and vacation travel needs!

Bristol Renaissance Faire

The Bristol Renaissance Faire is a magical, theatrical re-creation of a 16th century English village, celebrating the food, games, crafts, music and sport of the Elizabethan age. Hundreds of costumed performers offer continuous entertainment on 16 open-air stages and in the shaded village streets. This merry stroll through history is unparalleled fun for the whole family. The Faire runs on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer in Bristol, Wisc. through Sept. 5 (Labor Day-Monday), 10 a.m.- 7 p.m. ITT ticket costs are as follows: \$18 for adults and \$9 for children.

Six Flags Great America/Hurricane Harbor Waterpark

Purchase your daily and season passes for Six Flags Great America, which includes the new Hurricane Harbor Waterpark at the ITT Office: Admission: \$38 - Adults \$36.25 - Children (under 54 inches) Two-Day Pass - \$55 Season Pass - \$90 per person.

Ramada-Waukegan offers a special \$79

The Ramada-Waukegan, located at 200 N. Green Bay Road, offers all Great Lakes Naval Training staff, recruits and families a special \$79.00 rate.

Six Flags packages are also available with discounted tickets to the park, hot breakfasts and overnight stays included.

Enjoy our variety of amenities: Indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, gift shop, exercise room, restaurant and lounge.

Please call (847) 244-2400 to book your next overnight stay at the

Ramada-Waukegan.

Military Ticket Vouchers (MTV)

Through the Military Ticket Vouchers (MTV) program, ITT Offices can provide their customers discounted pre-paid admission to theatres, theme parks, museums and other attractions throughout North American.

Military Ticket Vouchers can also be used to save significantly on the cost of lodging reservations at hotels and resorts throughout the U.S. Call today to for a list of attractions at 688-3537.

Chicago Cubs

Please have your ID ready - when you come in to purchase tickets. All August tickets cost \$52 each.

August Game Schedule:

Sat., August 5; TBD vs PIT
Sun., August 6; 1:20 p.m. vs PIT
Sat., August 19; TBD vs STL
Sun., August 20; 1:20 p.m. vs STL
Tues., August 21; 7:05 p.m. vs PHI
Wed., August 22; 7:05 p.m. vs PHI
Thur., August 23; 7:05 p.m. vs PHI.

Restrictions: Limit 2 tickets per person, 1 game per month.

There is absolutely zero tolerance in the resale of ITT's tickets.

When you purchase your ticket and sign your name to it, you are bound to that agreement.

See posted signage for details.

Special Military Discounts on Travel

Did you know the MWR-ITT Travel Desk offers special Military Discounts for outbound travel or for those visiting Great Lakes? That's right. We have discounts on airline tickets, reduced Military rates for Exodus Travel, and outstanding rates for vacation travel with all major tour and cruise operators ~ prices better than those found on the Internet! Call Fox World Travel at the MWR-ITT Travel Desk at (877) 805-9157, or stop by the ITT office, Bldg. 400 (NEX Student Store) on Mondays or Wednesdays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. An experienced travel specialist will be on hand to handle all your personal, leave and vacation travel needs!

Leisure Travel Office at ITT

The MWR Department's ITT Office now offers a full service Leisure Travel Office. An experienced travel agent will be "on-site" on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. to handle leisure travel needs including... Air travel at special military discounts; emergency and dependant travel; off duty and leave (vacations); tours and cruises, many at military discounts. Ask about our July cruise specials. The Leisure Travel Office may be reached

directly at (847) 234-5877; they may also be found on the web at www.gofox.com.

Noah's Ark - America's Largest Waterpark

Residing on 70 acres in the heart of Wisconsin Dells, Noah's Ark, America's Largest Waterpark, boasts 41 waterslides, two huge wave pools, two endless rivers, four children's water play areas, Paradise Lagoon activity pool, two group amusement rides, 18-hole mini golf, three arcades, shopping, gourmet desserts and much more! Noah's Ark is continually evolving, offering the most variety of water rides anywhere in the nation. This summer is no exception with the introduction of "Time Warp" the world's largest family bowl ride.

The ticket cost is only \$26 each at the ITT Office.

ITT Office Amtrak Services!

Commemorative Bricks Etch your name in Great Lakes' history by purchasing a Commemorative Brick, available through the ITT Office. Bricks will be placed around the walkway to graduation at the Recruit Training Command. For more details, and/or to fill out an order form, stop by the ITT Office today!

Welcome Lodging offers discount rates

Welcome Lodging of Waukegan is offering extra low rates for all base personnel-starting at \$49.99/night, which includes their fabulous breakfast bar. Quality rooms may be enjoyed at a great price and located just three miles north of the base at 619 S. Green Bay Rd.

Call (847) 662-3200 for reservations today! Use code *NVGL* when booking your reservations. www.welcomelodging.com.

Special military rates downtown

Chicago Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Chicago Downtown Now serving Great Lakes with discounted rates from \$89/night (King or two double beds) Located on Harrison St. at Canal St., 4 blocks south of the METRA Kenosha North Line stop and 2 blocks from Amtrak/Union Station, Greyhound Terminal, and Scarlett's.

Hotel features an outdoor rooftop pool & deck and Aurelio's Pizza and lounge.

Sears Tower, Greek Town, Grant Park, the Museum Campus, and the Lakefront are all minutes away.

Clinton "L" stop of the CTA Blue Line is located at the base of the hotel.

Offer subject to availability. Stop by the ITT Office for additional information. For advance reservations, call (312) 957-9100 and ask for the NAVY rate.

★ ROSS ★ THEATER

Movies: \$2-Adult (Military or DOD)

\$1-Child (ages 6-11), Free-Under age 6

Ross Theater is located in Bldg. 110 and is open to everyone. Children 17 years of age and under trying to gain access to a "R-Rated" movie must be accompanied by an adult.

GREAT MOVIES AT A GREAT PRICE!

Fri., July 14
6 p.m.



PG~For some rude humor and mild comic action. (90 Min.)

Fri., July 14
8:30 p.m.



PG 13~For intense sequences of action violence, some sexual content and language. (103 Min.)

Sat., July 15
6 p.m.



R~For strong gruesome violence and gore throughout, language, sexual content and some drug use. (100 Min.)

Sat., July 15
8:30 p.m.



R~For disturbing violent content, graphic images and some language. (105 Min.)

Sun., July 16
3:30 p.m.



PG 13~For sexual content, some nudity and language. (106 Min.)

Sun., July 16
6 p.m.



R~For disturbing violent content, graphic images and some language. (105 Min.)

The movie schedule is subject to change without notice.

For up-to-date information,
call the MWR Scoop Line at 688-2110, ext. 697,

24 hours-a-day or check the web site at

www.mwrgl.com



Places to dine • Places to go

Pub 140 Staff Lounge, Bldg. 140, 688-6946

Pub 140 offers a "Grill Your Own" menu: steaks, hamburgers, salmon and chicken breasts. Come and enjoy the beautiful Lake Michigan view, and pleasant atmosphere. Play Instant Win Bingo for cash prizes in Pub 140.

PUB 140's hours of operation are Wed.-Fri., 4-9 p.m. PUB 140 is open to all staff members and is located in the Port O' Call in Bldg. 140. Pub 140 has a wide screen TV. For more information, call 688-6946.



Chaplain's Corner



God uses ordinary people

By **LT. CMDR. DARRYL N. PERSON**
CHC, USN

A teacher who refuses to accept a “C,” a modern doctor who makes house calls to the elderly, a neighbor who shows up bearing a casserole on moving day, a passing motorist who stops to render assistance. We have all had wonderful people come into our lives at the very moment we’ve needed them. Some stay for a lifetime, others move on without us quite knowing why.

Have you ever questioned why these special persons turn up at exactly the right moment with exactly what you’ve needed? Could it really be a coincidence, or do you see the hand of God at work? Do you believe in angels? How about saints? Whatever you call them, angels or saints,

God works through human beings to accomplish divine purposes. Sometimes these human beings serve as guardian angels. They come and help us, inspire us, believe in us, encourage us, and meet our needs at the very point and place of need.

Sometimes we receive a one time intervention from a stranger. Sometimes someone we know performs an unexpected, even uncharacteristic, act of kindness. The bottom line is that God works through people. He uses people to answer prayers to bring about His purposes. If God uses others to answer your prayers, perhaps He could use you to answer the prayers of someone else! It is an exciting and humbling possibility.

Keep yourself open to the possibilities of rendering or receiving divine help. What matters most is not to know the world, but to change it.

How do you spell success? ‘V-B-S!’

By **LT. CHRISTOPHER ALLEN**
CHC, USN

As resident chaplain at Forrestal Village Chapel, I feel it’s my prerogative to have the last word about our “Arctic Edge” Vacation Bible School that ran here from June 26-30.

Although VBS took place under my oversight, the driving force and organizing power for this program came from our directors of religious education, Tina Buda (Protestant) and Lisa Ball (Catholic).

We, in turn, depended on the help of so many people—adults and teens, staff and family, military and civilian, and our wonderful chaplains of many denominations. You all pitched in with tremendous skills and talents and we could not have done it without you.



Please accept this as a public “thank you” for all you did. A special thanks, as well, goes to Captain Postera, Naval Station’s commanding officer, for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit with the children and don the official

VBS “uniform.”

With God’s grace and the faithfulness, love, and commitment of all of you to the more than seventy children who took part in the program, this summer’s “Arctic Edge.” It was a vacation Bible school that we’ll never forget, one in which we all were blessed with new courage to love, follow, and share our faith in God!

Worship today in the faith of your choice



On station to help

HM3 Javier Jamamillo from the Medical Treatment Facility aboard the U.S. Military Sealift Command (MSC) hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19), comforts a child returning from the Mercy at the Chittagong Airport landing zone during the ship’s visit to provide humanitarian and civic assistance to the people of Bangladesh. *U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Michael R. McCormick*

Navy Band Great Lakes featured at Lake Forest Days

The Lake Forest American Legion will host the 98th “Celebration of Lake Forest Day” on Aug. 1 with a carnival in West Park from 6 to 10 p.m. Children can ride all evening with the purchase of one-ride bracelet.

Wednesday Aug. 2, kicks off with the Celebration of Lake Forest Day parade that begins at 10 a.m. at the intersection

of Western Ave. and Westminister and finishes at West Park. Navy Band Great Lakes will be a featured performer.

The carnival continues from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and includes a food tent, rides, bingo and a raffle drawing.

Proceeds from the event raises funds for veteran groups and local youth activities

Command Religious Program Schedule

Catholic

Sun., 9 a.m. Sunday MassBluejacket Memorial Chapel
Sun., 10:30 a.m. Sunday MassNaval Hospital All Faiths Chapel
Sun., Noon Sunday MassForrestal Village Chapel
Mon.-Fri., 11:45 a.m. Weekday MassBluejacket Memorial Chapel
Sun., 10:30-11:30 a.m. CCDBldg. 122
Sun, 10:30 a.m. Catholics Seeking ChristBluejacket Memorial Chapel

Protestant

Wed., Noon Praise, Word and WorshipNaval Hospital All Faiths Chapel
Sun., 10:30 a.m. Contemporary WorshipBluejacket Memorial Chapel
Sun., 10 a.m. Family Worship ServiceForrestal Village Chapel

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Sun., 1:30 p.m.Naval Hospital All Faiths Chapel

Liturgical Protestant

Sun., 12:15 a.m., Holy EucharistBluejacket Memorial Chapel

Anglican priests Chaplains Allen (at Forrestal) and Ray (at Bluejackets), will co-lead this service. Worship follows the forms of the Book of Common Prayer and should be familiar to most Christians of a liturgical background. Holy Communion is open to all baptized Christians who seek and recognize the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Great Lakes chaplains are happy to help you find a place of worship according to your tradition and needs.

Chapels

- Bluejacket Memorial Chapel - Bldg. 3, NTC
- Forrestal Village Chapel - Bldg. 2630, Ohio St., Forrestal Village
- Naval Hospital All Faiths Chapel, Wing 2 South
- For More Information about any of the services or events listed in this schedule, call 688-5610

SportScene

Captain Cup

Captain Cup Softball (As of July 7)

Captain Cup Champions Playoffs

Playoffs began July 6 and continues through 18.

July 6

- #1 CNE (11-0) Lost to #6 NAVSTA/NSTC
- #2 USS Essex –Snipes (11-1) Defeated #5 ATT (8-4)
- #3 Marines (9-4) Lost to #4 RTC – Red Ropers (9-4)
- #6 NAVSTA/NSTC Gun Deckers (7-5) defeated #7 Naval Hospital (6-6)
- #4 RTC – Red Ropers (9-4) Defeated #2 USS Essex –Snipes (11-1)
- #6 NAVSTA/NSTC Gun Deckers (7-5) defeated #1 CNE (11-0)
- #5 ATT (8-4) eliminated #3 Marines (9-4) from the tournament.

July 11

- F-1 1730, Gundekers vs. RTC
- F-1 1840, Naval Hospital vs. Essex
- F-1 1950, CNE vs. ATT
- F-2 1730, SN ATD (4-8) vs. MMSO (0-11)
- F-2 1840, PSD (3–9) vs. Scrubs (2-10)
- F-2 1950, Farragut(5-7) vs. PSD/Scrubs winner

July 13

- F-1 1730, Mustin (5-7) vs. SN ATD/MMSO
- F-1 1840, Toilet Bowl Championship Game
- F-1 1950, Loser’s Bracket Game 10 CNE/ATT vs. N.H./Essex winners

July 18

- F-1 1730, Loser’s Bracket Game 11 NAVSTA/RTC vs. Winner of Game 10
- F-1 1840, Captain’s Cup Championship Game NAVSTA/RTC vs. winner of Game 11
- F-1 1950, Replay Championship if first loss for team.

Intramural Summer Basketball (As of 7 July 06)

TEAM	Standings
RTC	5-0
CNE	5-2
Dental Bldg. 1017	4-1
Cole Alpha	3-2
Cole Charlie	2-2
Army	1-4
Essex	0-5
Cole Bravo	0-5

Captain Cup Points after three events (Flag Football, Basketball, Volleyball)

Command	Points
RTC	65
ATT	35
TSC	30
Naval Hosp.	17
TPU	15
CNE	10
Army	5
NRC	5
Marines	5
NAVFAC	5
PSD	5
Navy Security	5
BEQ 832	5



Hanging around

Midshipman 1st Class Sean Blackman, a U.S. Naval Academy gymnast, was selected to the 2006 ESPN The Magazine Men's At-Large Academic All-American 3rd-Team in an announcement from the College Sports Information Directors Association. *U.S. Navy photo by Phil Hoffman*

Great Lakes Marina and Rental Center

Bldg. 13, 688-5417

The Great Lakes Marina and Rental Center are located in Bldg. 13. The hours of operation are daily, 8:30 a.m.- 6 p.m.

Reserve a spot for your “vessel” this season by contacting the MWR Administration Office at 688-2110, ext. 117.

Classes/Camps: Basic sailing classes

Dates: July 18, 19 and 22 August 8, 9 and 12 August 22, 23 and 26. Classes are held on two evening sessions on Tues. and Wed. from 6-9 p.m. and one on Sat., which is the on-water practical from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Successful completion of the Class receives a certification from the U.S. Sailing Association and the U.S. Navy Sailing Association. Cost for military personnel is \$100 and DoD employees are \$125, plus the book, \$14.95. Please sign up in advance.

Intermediate Sailing Classes

Dates: July 15 August 15, 16 and 19 September 5, 6 and 10. Classes are held on two evening sessions on Tues. and Wed. from 6-9 p.m. and one on Sat., which is the on-water practical from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. This class will teach students how to skipper a large sailboat off-shore. The cost for military personnel is \$125 and DoD employees is \$150, plus \$18 for the book. Please sign up in advance.

Junior Sailing Camp

Ages 9-15 Sessions: July 25-28 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$100 (military), \$125 (civilian). Youth will be instructed on basic fundamentals needed to safely sail a small dinghy sailboat. Juniors who pass all elements will receive a U.S. Navy Sailing A Level Qualification. Please sign up in advance.

Youth Water Sports Camp

Ages 9-15 Sessions: -Aug. 15-18 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$100 (military), \$125 (civilian) Youth will be instructed on the proper techniques of sea kayaking, canoeing, fishing, sailing and powerboat handling. Please sign up in advance.

Moorings & Storage available

If you own a boat, spaces are available for boats 16 to 27 feet on piers, as well as spaces for larger boats on moorings.

Ship’s Store

The Marina’s Ship Store carries 2006 fishing licenses and stamps, which are necessary to fish legally in the state of Illinois. The licenses/stamps that are available include the Resident Annual, Salmon and Inland Trout. In addition, 24-hour licenses and combination fishing and hunting licenses are in stock. Also, the latest information on rules and regulations for fishing in the state of Illinois is available. The Marina’s Ship Store also carries the newest boating/fishing equipment and supplies for the season including live bait: night crawlers, fat heads, minnows and salmon eggs. Other items in stock include bait buckets, dip and landing nets and rods and reels-all at value prices.

Charter Fishing Excursions

MWR’s 33-foot charter fishing boat offers excursions for three-, five-, and eight-hour trips. Reserve your desired date and time by phone or in-person. Lake Michigan fishing charters may be booked for up to six people per charter.

The military rate for these trips is \$275 for three hours, \$360 for five hours, and \$475 for eight hours. The civilian rate for these trips is \$310 for three hours, \$400 for five hours, and \$540 for eight hours. Register today; dates and times for weekend trips fill up quickly. Pleasure cruises may also be booked. Please call the Marina for further details.

Rental Center

The Rental Center offers a variety of outdoor equipment for the summer season for parties/picnics, sports and camping including tents, sleeping bags, backpacks, mountain bikes, and even campers: Casita Hard Covers and A-Liner Campers. The center has a nice variety of coolers and larger canopy tents, as well as both portable and tow able gas and charcoal grills.

New rental items include the following: gas generators, a sound system, a bungee run, a jousting set, a dunk tank and a boxing arena.

Fitness & Sports Division

Courts Plus-Bldg. 4, 688-6750; Gym 80-H, 688-7692; Fieldhouse-Bldg. 440, 688-3419; Great Lakes Fitness Center-Bldg. 2A, 688-5649

All event/league registrations and manager’s meetings take place at the Fitness & Sports Office in Bldg. 440, unless otherwise noted. Turn in registration and forfeiture letters at Bldg. 440. Leagues are open to all active duty and retired military, reservists, family members with an ID and DoD employees with a valid gym membership. For additional information, call 688-3419.

On Sat., July 15 at 1 p.m., complete in this fun-filled Family Olympics at Nunn Beach. Team size is determined by the number of each family.

Events may include tug-of-war, tube races, volleyball and an obstacle course. Sign up your family today at the Fieldhouse, Bldg. 440. For more information, call 688-3419.

2006 5K Races

Race entry fee is \$ 12 per person/race! Register at the Fieldhouse (Bldg. 440) for each race. Sign five runners up from the same command and run as a team. The team cost is \$ 55 per team/race. The first 75 runners to register for each race will receive a free gift. All races begin at Courts Plus (Bldg. 4).

Schedule: August 3 at 5 p.m., Watermelon 5K Race, Sept. 12 at 5 p.m., Video Day 5K Race.

Fall Softball League

Get a team together for this Fall Softball League, which begins the week of August 7.

A mandatory coaches meeting and registration is due on Wed., July 19 at 4 p.m.

Captain’s Cup Flag Football League

Compete in this challenging Captain’s Cup Flag Football League, which begins the week of August 7.

A mandatory coaches meeting and registration is due on Wed., July 26 at 4 p.m.

Captain’s Cup Soccer League

Don’t miss this action-packed Captain’s Cup Soccer League, which begins the week of August 14.

A mandatory coaches meeting and registration is due on Wed., July 26 at 4:30 p.m.

On-base swimming options

The following on-base swimming options are available: Indoor Pool (Fieldhouse-Bldg 440) and Nunn Beach (lakefront). The Indoor Pool hours of operation are as follows: Mon., Wed. and Fri.: 6-8 a.m. (lap swim); Mon.-Fri.: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. (lap swim); Mon, Wed, Fri.: 1-5 p.m. (open swim); Mon.-Fri.: 4-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. (open swim) and Sat.: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (open swim).

Nunn Beach’s hours of operation are as follows: Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun. and holidays: noon-6 p.m. For more information, call the Aquatics Branch at 688-3419.

CNO visits Great Lakes, speaks on leadership, diversity



Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Michael G. Mullen dons his Navy ball cap at the "ready two!" during Recruit Training Command's "Capping Ceremony," the Battle Stations completion event. The CNO spent time congratulating teary-eyed recruits after the ceremony, and was among the first to address them as Sailors. *Photo by FC2(SW) Jason J. Mosher.*



Mullen provided a fleet-wide interview in front of Galley 535 after having lunch with Training Support Center students. *Photo by Judy Lazarus.*

Adm. Mike Mullen, chief of naval operations, visited Naval Station Great Lakes July 6-8.

At 5 a.m. Friday, July 7, he watched recruit divisions conducting "Battle Stations" training and then had breakfast with recruits and RTC staff members aboard USS Arizona. Next he hosted an admiral's call for RTC staff at the Pacific Fleet Drill Hall before observing "Battle Stations" capping ceremony.

Following the ceremony he toured Battle Stations 21 construction site before arriving at the recruit graduation ceremony in Drill Hall 7220.

For lunch he stopped by Galley 535 and ate hot dogs and potato chips on the outdoor patio while talking with TSC students. He spoke about the importance of leadership. "You are never too junior or too senior to display leadership," he said. "I expect Sailors to lead in every possible way."

At 1 p.m. he held his second admiral's call of the day at Ross Auditorium for mainside students and staff. Later that afternoon he visited Hospital Corps School and held his final admiral's call at Great Lakes. The admiral took in a baseball game that evening. He saw the Chicago Cubs defeat the Milwaukee Brewers 7-2 in Milwaukee, Wis.

On Saturday Mullen traveled to the Chicagoland Speedway, Joliet, Ill., where he watched Martin Truex, Jr., drive the #88 Navy sponsored Chevy to 16th place in the Durock 300 of the NASCAR Busch Series. Mullen reenlisted AE2 Patrick Stewart of Naval Operations Support Center, Chicago prior to the race.

"I had a terrific time with them (Great Lakes Sailors) in terms of engagement, and saw what they go through. I appreciate their service," Mullen said.



The CNO enjoys breakfast with recruits and staff at Recruit Training Command's barracks USS Arizona. The admiral also had lunch with Training Support Center students, served as reviewing officer for RTC's graduation, and held three admiral's calls during his visit. *Photo by FC2(SW) Jason J. Mosher*



After a lunch of a hot dog, chips and soda at galley 535, Mullen took some time to converse with Training Support Center students before they had to return to class. *Photo by FC2(SW) Jason J. Mosher.*



Mullen addresses Recruit Training Command graduates and their families last Friday during recruit graduation. Later in the ceremony, he gave awards to the honor recruits and greeted their families to welcome them to the Navy family and thanked them for their service. *Photo by FC2(SW) Jason J. Mosher*



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